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RESPONSE TO ADVISORY LETTER ON PATENT APPLICATION FEE DETERMINATION

This letter is written in response to an advisory communication (copy enclosed) from Carolyn Cofer, Application Examiner for Group 2200, which communication was mailed on or around 12 August 1993 but was not received by me until late August 1993. The advisory communication asserts that remittance of \$532.00 is due for the Amendment And Response filed on 10 May 1993 on the aboveidentified patent application. I am puzzled by this advisory communication. In the Amendment And Response filed by me on 10 May 1993, I incorrectly computed the additional amount due as \$724.00 and submitted a check for \$744.00 to cover the additional payment. I enclose photocopies of the Patent Application Transmittal Letter, the check submitted and the return post card I received from the U.S.Patent and Trademark Office indicating that the Amendment And Response and check for \$744.00 were received by the U.S.P.T.O. on 11 May 1993. The Amendment And Response were filed by Express Mail on 10 May 1993, and I also enclose a photocopy of the Express Mail Certificate that I enclosed with the 10 May 1993 response. After I received the advisory communication referred to above, I checked my calculations and found that I had erred and that the required additional payment for the Amendment And Response was \$532.00, not \$724.00. I enclose a corrected Patent Application Transmittal Letter showing the correct additional amount owed (\$532.00). Although the amount I calculated and submitted was more than the required amount, the submitted check for \$744.00 does cover the correct additional amount owed, and I assume that the check for \$744.00 has been accepted and processed by the U.S.P.T.O. I checked with the Silicon Valley Bank on which this check was written and found that the check had not yet cleared. However, the check for \$744.00 was submitted with the Amendment And Response.

I am puzzled because I cannot determine whether the U.S.P.T.O. requires remittance of payment of an additional \$532.00 or remittance of a check for \$532.00, to be exchanged for the check for \$744.00 I originally submitted. In order to expedite this process, I enclose a check for \$532.00, which brings the total payment for the original patent application and the Amendment And Response to \$2216.00. I would appreciate it if someone at the U.S.P.T.O. would verify that this total exceeds the correct total amount by \$744.00 and would refund \$744.00 to me. If the U.S.P.T.O. has no record of having received the check for \$744.00 that I submitted with the Amendment And Response filed on 10 May 1993, I would

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appreciate being advised of this so that I can cause a Stop Payment to be placed on this check. Meanwhile, I shall continue to check with the Silicon Valley Bank to determine whether the check for \$744.00 has been returned to the Bank as paid. If the Application Examiner has any suggestions for action that might quickly resolve this misunderstanding, I would appreciate receiving a telephone call at my office (415-321-7449) concerning what action might be taken.

Again, I believe I submitted a check for \$744.00, which is more than the correct amount owed for the Amendment And Response filed on 10 May 1993. However, I enclose a check for an additional \$532.00 in compliance with what I believe the Application Examiner requires.

Date: 13 September 1993

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PATENT APPLICATION AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (CORRECTED)

Transmitted herewith is a corrected computation of fees owed as a result of an Amendment And Response, filed 10 May 1993, for the above-identified patent application submitted in response to an Office Action, mailed 8 February 1993.

Calculation of fees payable for Amendment And Response filed with this Transmittal Letter:

	Number	Number		
	<u>Filed</u>	<u>Extra</u>	Rate	<u>Fee</u>
Basic filing fee			\$ 710.	\$ 710.
Total claims	32	12	22.	264.
Independent claims	10	7	74.	518.
Multiple dependent claim present			230.	<u> </u>
Intermediate total				\$1492.
Small entity total, if applicable				\$
Fee paid in filing of patent applica	tion			<u>\$ 960.</u>
Difference owed, if any	·			\$ 532.

A check in the amount of \$532.00 is enclosed to cover the additional claims.

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CERTIFICATE OF EXPRESS MAILING

I certify that the above-identified patent application was deposited by me with the U.S.Postal Service for Express Mail service, Express Mail Receipt No. IB880639375 US with postage prepaid and addressed to Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Washington, D.C. 20231, at San Francisco, California on 16 September 1993.

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The United States Patent and Trademark Office has received an Amendment And Response for an Office Action mailed 8 February 1993, on a patent application entitled "LOCATION OF MISSING VEHICLES", U.S.Ser.No. 07/978,272, and a patent of \$744. on (date)

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